

**Preliminary Amendment**

Applicant: Oskar Neuhoff et al.

Serial No.: Unknown

(Priority Application No. DE 102 17 792.9)

(International Application No. PCT/DE03/01278)

Filed: Herewith

(Priority Date: April 20, 2002)

(International Filing Date: April 16, 2003)

Docket No.: I431.115.101/FIN 387 PCT/US

Title: PACKAGING SYSTEM WITH A TOOL FOR ENCLOSING ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS AND METHOD OF POPULATING A CARRIER TAPE (As Amended)

---

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please insert the following paragraph beginning at page 1, line 7, of the substitute specification with the following paragraph:

**Cross Reference to Related Applications**

This Utility Patent Application claims the benefit of the filing date of German Application No. DE 102 17 792.9, filed April 20, 2002, and International Application No. PCT/DE03/01278, filed April 16, 2003, both of which are herein incorporated by reference.